

**MH Urban Transition Housing Facility****FY2002 Request: \$200,000**  
**Reference No: AMD34041****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Transitional**Category:** Health/Safety**Location:** Anchorage Areawide**Contact:** Larry Streuber**Election District:** Anchorage Areawide**Contact Phone:** (907)465-1871**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2001 - 06/30/2006**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This project would leverage renovation and purchase costs for a transitional housing facility for the clients of urban nonprofit organizations.

**Funding:**

	FY2002	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	Total
MHTAAR	\$200,000						\$200,000
Total:	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased Project	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going Project
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Total Operating Impact:	0	0
One-Time Startup Costs:	0	
Additional Estimated Annual O&M:	0	0

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

This is the first year of the project.

**Project Description:**

This request leverages purchase and startup costs for a downtown Anchorage facility providing secure, safe, affordable housing for homeless and very-low-income people and families who have no place to stay and cannot afford apartments. After July 1, 2002, the project will be self-supporting through operating income. Units will be available exclusively for referred clients of at least 40 local service providers, 75% of which serve those with mental disabilities. It is projected that there will be a potential project target population of at least 1,200 people, with 25% to 35% of these experiencing mental disabilities and many lacking independent living skills. Units will be private, self-contained, and fully furnished with phones, refrigerators, microwaves, and full bathrooms. Guests and their providers together decide lengths of stay; the project will not set minimum or maximum stays. Although project staff will not provide services on site, guests must be referred by agencies that are providing them with services during their stay. Agencies will execute agreements with the project outlining referral terms and will help develop project operating policies to ensure that client needs are addressed. A full-time trained staff will ensure that guests benefit from their stays and that house rules are enforced.

**Results:** A Shared Vision II objectives in Adult Services concerning gaps in continuity of care, homelessness, housing, and decriminalizing mental illness.

**Indicators:** guests, agencies, neighbors, and community partners satisfaction

**Performance Measures:** total numbers of guests (with demographics), bed nights, referrals (by source), and participating agencies; average length of stay.

**Competitive Grant**